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May it please your most excellent Majesty.

THe last time the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses of the Commons House of Parliament had the honour to waite upon you in this place, your Majestie was graciously pleased to congratulate with them for the glorious meeting of the Lords spiritual and temporal, and Commons of *England*, in this your full, free, and legal Parliament.

Great Sir, it is our present comfort, and will be our future glory, that God hath made us instrumental for the repairs of those breaches, which the worst of times had made upon the best of Governments. The late great *Eclipse* in our *Horizon*, occasioned by the interposition of the earth, is now vanished; the stars in our Firmament are now full of light; the light of our Moon is become like the light of the Sun; and the light of our Sun is sevenfold.

A man that ſees the River of *Thames* at a high water, & obſerves how much it ſinks in a few hours; would think it running quite away, but by the ſecret providence of God, we ſee that when the ebbe is at the loweſt, the tyde of a riſing water is neareſt the return.

Your Majeſtie was likewiſe graciouſly pleaſed to ſpeak ſomething to us on Your own behalf; and did vouchſafe to ſay you would ask ſomething for your ſelf; withall, declaring ſome unеaſineſſe in your condition, by reaſon of ſome crying debts which daily called for ſatisfaction.

Great Sir, I am not able to expreſſe, at the hearing of thoſe words, with what a Sympathy the whole body of the Parliamen was preſently affected; The circulation of the bloud, of which our late naturaliſts do tell us, was never ſo ſenſibly demonſtrated, as by this experiment; before your Majeſties words were all fallen from your lips, you might have ſeen us bluſh; all our bloud came into our faces, from thence it haſted down without obſtruction to every part of the body, and after a due conſulting of the ſeveral parts, it was found neceſſary to breathe a vein.

We cannot forget how much our Treasure hath been exhausted, but we remember also, 'twas by Usurping and Tyrannical powers; and therefore we are easily perswaded to be at some more expence to keep them out.

The Merchant tels us, 'tis good pollicy in a troubled Sea to lose some part of our *Cargoe*, thereby to save the rest.

With Your Majesty's leave, we have been bold to look into the present state of affairs, and find those great sums that have been heretofore advanced upon us, were raised most of them in bad Times, and for ill purposes, to keep Your Majesty out of this Your Native Kingdom: And when Your Majesty returned home from Your long banishment, you found the Naval Store-house unfurnish'd, which will not easily be supplyed: The unsetled humors, and unquiet Spirits that are yet amongst us, do necessitate a Costly Guard for your Royall Person: The honorable Accessions of *Dunkirk*, *Tangier* and *Jamaica* do at present

I Do appoint JOHN WILLIAMS to Print my SPEECH, and that none else pre-
sume to Print it without my Order.

ED. TURNER.

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